

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 419

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Council for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services, Inc., on being named the top nonprofit organization for 2017 by the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those organizations that have, through their extraordinary work, distinguished themselves as integral parts of their community and healthcare providers of which we can be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such organization is the Council for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services, Inc., (CADAS) which was recently named the top nonprofit organization in Chattanooga by the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the organization, founded in 1964 by a small group of Chattanooga businessmen and clergy, has transformed the lives of countless Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, CADAS now serves more than 2,200 individuals each year, helping men, women, and children live the best possible lives; and

WHEREAS, CADAS is the only nonprofit treatment facility in the region, offering a full continuum of care for treating drug and alcohol addiction in both adolescents and adults; and

WHEREAS, the organization offers a wide variety of inpatient and outpatient addiction treatment programs to care for and assist patients, allowing them the opportunity to heal and work through barriers that keep them from reaching success; and

WHEREAS, CADAS goes above and beyond to offer community outreach services such as DUI education, substance abuse testing, prevention programs for classrooms and families, and professional training; and

WHEREAS, executive director Paul Fuchcar and the agency staff work with some of the State's best and brightest physicians, therapists, social workers, and clinical psychologists to

restore patients in the physical, emotional, spiritual, familial, and social aspects of their lives;
and

WHEREAS, CADAS is one of the few nonprofit alcohol and drug treatment facilities in the State of Tennessee that is accredited by the Joint Commission, meaning the organization is routinely measured against national standards set by healthcare professionals; and

WHEREAS, CADAS and the agency's staff members epitomize the spirit of service and professionalism present in all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, this nonprofit organization should be recognized for the hope it provides to chemically dependent individuals, their families, and friends; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud CADAS, its executive director Paul Fuchcar, and its board for their many contributions to their community and the State of Tennessee as a whole through an unceasing commitment to others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and honor the Council for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services, Inc., upon being named the top nonprofit organization for 2017 by the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce and extend our best wishes for continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.